## THE G. A. R. AUXILIARY

[Concluded from E eventh Page.] happiness, all of which go to make up the sum total of the work accomplished by this grand organization of women.

Several new and important features have been added to the work of the Relief Corps in this department, which greatly broaden the field of labor and increase the possibilities for good, while giving work to willing hands. The attempt made to encourage the movement to place a scientific for drunkenness in soldiers' homes, both State and national, has met with flattering success at the hands of the efficient committee appointed to have charge of this work. The proposed establishment of a State home for soldiers and their wives is creating much interest among corps, many of which stand ready to assist in building and furnishing cottages as soon as the proper appropriation is made by the Legislature. Skillful hands will gladly make these homes veritable havens of rest for our veterans in their declining years.

The pet institution and pride of the W. R. C., as well as the G. A. R., is the State Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home, located at Knightstown. Into this home the children of dead and indigent comrades are gathered and find loving hands and hearts ready to welcome them and supply, not only their physical wants, but the needs of their orphan hearts. Careful training and correct teaching are given, and each child is instructed in some branch of industry by which a livelihood can be earned when discharged from the institution. The teaching of patriotism in the public schools is receiving the attention of the Woman's Relief Corps of Indiana. Strong efforts are being made to promulgate lessons of loyalty and patriotism among the young. Teachers and parents are being urged to inculcate in the tender minds the principles for which many a brave soldier scerificed his life. These are some of the lines that characterize the work of Indiana Woman's Relief Corps. No more true and loyal women can be found than those within the borders of the State that gave us a Morton and a Harri-

Julia S. Conklin, department president,

Indiana Woman's Relief Corps, is a native

of the Hoosier State. She is of Quaker parentage and is imbued with the principles taught by the Society of Friends. Her father. Charles Stout, was identified with the anti-slavery movement prior war of the rebellion, and her grandfather. Ephraim Stout, was closely connected with the underground railway system, established for the protection and escape of fugitive slaves. She was married to W. H. Conklin, of Company B, Second Colorado Cavalry, who served three years in the army of the Southwest, under command of General Canby. He was wounded at the battle of Little Blue, Miscouri, and lay for four months in a hospital at Kansas City. Mrs. Conklin is a charter member of Fairfax Corps, Westfield, has served in the capacity corps treasurer, secretary, assistant conductor and president. She was elected department treasurer in 1890 and department inspector in 1892. She was editor of the Guard, a paper published in the interest of Indiana W. R. C., which consolidated with the American Tribune in March, 1892, at which time Mrs. Conklin assumed the editorship of the Woman's Relief Corps department in that paper. In this capacity she still serves.

Etta E. Houk, department secretary, was born in Utica, O., March 14, 1859, and moved to Indiana, with her parents, in 1864, She is the only daughter of David C, and Nancy B. Honk. Her father was a member of Company I, One-hundred-and-fifty-fourth Regiment Indiana Volunteers. Miss Houk Is a charter member of Fairfax W. R. C., No. 71, of Westneld, Ind., having filled the offices of president, secretary, conductor, assistant conductor and guard of raid corps. She was installed secretary of the department at Evansville, April 6, 1893, and is thoroughly conversant with her

Mrs. Mary H. Howe, the department treasurer, was born Sept. 3, 1836, in Madison county, New York, being the sixth daughter and tenth child of Beriah and Barah Kenyon, and was brought by her parents from the former State to Richmond, Ind., in the fall of 1842, where she received the greater part of her education. In 1852 she moved with her parents to Westfield, Ind., where she has lived most of the time since that date. On Dec. 9, 1858, she was married to Abraham P. Howe, who is at present editor and publisher of the Westfield News. Mrs. Howe joined Fairfax W. R. C., January, 1888, and held the office of treasurer for three consecutive years prior to being elected Department treas-

The full roster of the Indiana depart-

Julia S. Conklin, president, Westfield. Nettle Ransford, senior vice president, Indian-Eliza J. Crisler, junior vice president, Greens-Etta E. Houk, secretary, Westfield.

Mary H. Howe, treasurer, Westfield. Mary A. Sims, chaplain, Frankfort.
Nannie L. Ross, inspector, Kokomo.
Ida S. McBride, counselor, Indianapolis Mary McElvane, I. and I. officer, Terre Haute.

Executive Board-Gertrude L. Mitchell. New Castle: Mary Hadley, Danville; Belie S. Bishop, Brazil; Lou M. Cox, Sheridan; Martha Reigel, Illinois.

The Department of Illinois is worthy the best place in the procession, belonging, as it does, to the State that gave birth to the G. A. R. through Col. B. F. Stephenson and Memorial day through Gen. John A. Logan. honors by any means, for it is one of the most energetic departments in the whole organization. It will celebrate its tenth birthday Jan. 30, 1894, having been organ-ized by Mrs. W. L. Halbrook, of Toledo, O. Jan. 30, 1884. The membership to-day is nearly eight thousand. There are 210 corps actively and earnestly at work, and the amount of relief work done in those ten years makes a tidy sum indeed. Illinote has had one national president in Mrs. Sue Pike Sanders, who is best known, perhaps, for her sturdy effort to have the flag placed on every schoolhouse in the land, an effort in which she has been eminently successful. It is very probable that the personality of the department officers has something to do with the advance of orator. the order in the old Prairie State.

Mrs. Emma R. Wallace, of Chicago, the

native of Illinois, is the wife of Colonel | and president. On the department staff years of their married life were spent amid | retary at two department conventions, secthe scenes of war, and Mrs. Wallace knows by actual experience some of the horrors of nivil warfare. On the return to home life Mrs. Wallace became associated with others in bumanitarian and philanthropic work, and never has laid it down for a moment since. Her whole time is given up to the work. She is on the boards of the Woman's Press Clab, Woman's Exchange, Homs of the Friendless, Chicago Woman's Club and Woman's Relief Corps, and Isnow chairman of the world's Columbian board. She was the first to interest the public in a Woman's Department of the world's fair, and has been one of the untiring and enthuspastic promoters of the work of the great White City. Mrs. Wallace joined the W. R. C. in the fall of 1887. She organized Columbia Corps in 1891 and was made its president, serving one term and a half. She was national aid on the staff of Mrs. Mary Sears Mollenry and was elected president of the department in March. 1803, Mrs. Wallace is as thoroughly at committee rooms, and is charming everywhere. The National Sentinel said of her: "As an executive officer she is without a peer; as a companion, loving and lovable; s an adversary, uncompromising and fearless, and as an advocate comprehensive and | W. convincing. Possessed of a dignified presence, she makes a splendid presiding officer; a thorough parliamentarian, her de-

a consistent Christian life, she is a friend of the unfortunate and a comforter in dis-Mrs. Wallace would bring grace and dig-

nity to the office of national president, and there is talk that she will be elected. The Illinois officers are: Department President-Emma R. Wallace, Chi-Secretary-Jennie Bross.

Senior Vice President-Esther Woods, Sprin Junior Vice President-Margaret B. Sutton, Decator Chaplain-Sophia Linscott, Chicago. Counselor-Julia G. Sine, Rockford. Inspector- Mary P. Thiell, Chicago.

Instituting and Installing Officer-Marilla Ward, Gibson City. Treasurer-Mary E. McCauley, Olney.

Mrs. Emily L. Clark, president of the Department of Massachusetts W. R. C., was born in Becket, Mass., April 24, 1832. When eighteen years of age she married Capt. busband is one of the bonored soldiers of the old Bay State. He helped recruit Company A. Twenty-seventh Massachusetts Regiment, and was commissioned second lieutenant of the company. After serving in the Roanoke, Newbern and other campaigns, he returned home, but soon after re-enlisted, and was commissioned first lieutenant in the Fifty-second Regiment, subsequently receiving a commission as quartermaster. He served gallantly at

Baton Rouge, Port Hudson and at other

When the civil war began Mrs. Clark

had three children, the youngest only eleven monthsold. While unable to leave her home to engage in work for the sol diers, she determined to do her share, and opened her home to all who desired to aid the Union cause. Her house was thronged with people, and days and nights were devoted to work for the volunteers at the front, and many precious boxes of supplies were sent them. After the war closed Mrs. Clark realized that there was still work to be done for the veterans. When W. L. Baker | work was done. The department was Post was organized at Northampton she entered heartily into all plans for its success, and rendered great assistance in a fair held by the post in 1883. The relief corps (No. 181) was organized in Northampton May 13, 1885. Mrs. Clark was elected president, and was re-elected in 1886 and 1887, filling the office with great acceptance. She was appointed department aid in 1886, and served as a delegate to the national convention at St. Louis in 1887. In the following year she was elected by the department council to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of the department chaplain. She was re-elected to the office by the conventions of 1889 and 1890. Owing to severe illness in 1891, Mrs. Clark retired from active work, but was able to attend the convention in 1892, when, at the earnest solicitation of many prominent members, she accepted the office of department senior vice president. At the annual convention, held in January last, Mrs. M. Susie Goodale, a past department president, nominated Mrs. Clark for the highest office in the gift of the delegates, paying her a glowing tribute. Clark is devoting her best energies to the manifold duties of the position to which she has been elected. Mrs. Clark is the first president elected from western Massachusetts, and resides over one hundred miles from department headquarters, yet she is at her official desk in Boston many times each week, and represents the order on many public occasions throughout the State.

Prof. Joseph Carhart, president of the State Normal School of Minnesota. Miss Mary E. Elliott, for the past eight years secretary of the Department of Massachusetts, was born Feb. 2, 1851, in Somerville, Muss., where she now lives. She has been active in reformatory and benevolent work during the past twenty-five years, and has traveled throughout the State in the interest of the temperance movement. In March, 1879, she assisted in forming William E. Kineley Relief Corps, of Somerville, then an independent corps, and one of the earliest in the State. She was its president for three years, and composed the ritual under which it worked. Miss Elliott had great faith in the future prosperity of the order, and when the subject of forming a national W. R. C. was presented at the union board, consisting of the departments of Massachusetts and New Hampshire, earnestly favored the plan of sending delegates to Denver, Col., where the national order was formed in 1883. The following year she was a delegate to the national convention at Minneapolis and has attended every subsequent convention in the same capacity. She is a popular speaker at camp fires, anniversaries and other public gatherings, and often represents the department on these occasions. She takes deep interest in literary matters and has contributed numerous articles for publication. She has been a member of the press committees at several national conventions and at Boston, in 1890, was

residents of Northampton, and their beau-

tiful home is a center of social attraction.

They have four children, two sons and two

daughters. One of the latter is the wife of

She will represent the Boston Herald at Indianapolis. The department officers are: President-Emily L. Clark, Northampton. Senior Vice President-Clare H. Burleigh, Junior Vice President-Eva T. Cook, Glouces-Treasurer-Sarah E. Fuller, Medford. Secretary-Mary E. Elliot, Somerville. Chaplain-Hattie A. Ralph, Somerville Inspector-Emilie L. W. Waterman, Boston, Counselor-Mary G. Deane, Fall River.

chairman of the W. R. C. press committee.

Maine. The Department of Maine, W. R. C., was organized in Bangor in June, 1884, with seven corps and 288 members. It has now sixty corps and nearly two thousand members. Maine is the birthplace of the Relief Corps movement, and when the National Relief Corps came into existence there were already forty State relief corps within its confines. The two organizations, W. R. C. and Ladies of the G. A. R. number 128 corps, with about five thousand members, The department has had for its leaders some of the most brilliant women in the State, two of whom have served on the national staff-one as junior vice president,

Instituting and Installing Officer-Lizzie

Mudgett, Lynn.

the other as national chaplain. The present department president is Elia Jordan Mason, who comes from old Puritan and revolutionary stock. She was born in Gorham, Me., but in early childhood, at the death of her father, moved to Biddeford, where she was educated, taking honors in one of the most brilliant classes which ever graduated from the high school there. She married comrade Joseph T. Mason, But, then, it does not depend upon past | who placed her under the instruction of | now corresponding secretary of the Womsome of the finest teachers in elecution in this country. She gained an enviable reputation as a reader, but the continued strain on her nervous system undermined her health, and she was compelled to give up her work for a time. She then became interested in all the local charitable associations, and assisted every benevolent enterprise in the surrounding cities by the charm of her voice. Mrs. Mason has been popular with the G. A. R. from a little child, when she began her labors for them. her first essay being in a juvenile.operetta. and from that time she has never failed to to come to their aid and assistance. For many years she took part in the memorial

exercises as reader, but of late years as the She is a charter member of U. S. Grant W. R. C., which was organized in 1889. department president of the State and a | She held the position of conductor Wallace, a Union officer. The first few she served as aid two years, assistant secretary pro tem one year, corresponding secretary two years, department senior vice president in 1892, and was elected by acclamation as department president in 1893. She acted as aid on the staff of National President Sue Pike Sanders last year. Mrs. Mason is a fine parliamentarian. a brilliant writer and a magnetic speaker. Mrs. Mason with characteristic zeal is this

year pushing the establishment of the department relief corps home. Addie Viola Grant, the department secretary, is one of the most interesting | sive and gentle manner, coupled with a ladies in the department. She was born in St. Albans, Me., and was educated there in the common schools and the academy. She comes from a fine old family, and is connected on both sides with many of the best known families in the State, being piece of both Eleazer Crocker, a wealthy gentleman who has served several times in both the House and Senate, and Silal Sprague, registrar of deeds for Androscoggin county for twenty-five years, and home on the platform as she is in the cousin to H. M. Sprague, Adiutant-general of Maine on the staff of Governor Burleigh. When quite young she married Charles H. Grant, who served two years in the Second Maine Cavairy. She is a charter member of U. S. Grant minor offices, She was unanimously elected R. C., for two years was a most efficient secretary, last year senior vice president, and this year was elected president. the was department aid one cisions are to the point and business is | year, assistant secretary one year, and sec-

Being Mrs. Mason's confidential friend, she was naturally appointed department secretary, and being so in sympathy with all the proposed work of the was also appointed coryear. responding secretary, and, although holding three arduous positions, she fills each with credit to herself and honor to the department. She is very modest and unassuming in her manners, but her capa-

bilities are everywhere recognized, and Mrs. Isabella W. Haley, department treasurer of Maine, was born at Freeport, Me., in 1835. She was educated in the com-Yarmouth Academy, where she stood very high in all her studies. At the age of sixteen she commenced teaching, and taught twelve years in Yarmouth. The last three years she taught in Biddeford. In 1863 she was married to Dr. Thomas Haley, who was a soldier in the late war. She is a charter member of U. S. Grant W. K. C., and has served with great fidelity Edwin C. Clark, of Northampton. Her | as its treasurer since its organization in 1888. She is an earnest worker for the temperance cause, having been president of the Biddeford W. C. T. U. for many years, and is a member of various other organizations.

> The department officers are: President-Ella Jordan Mason. Senior Vice President-Ellen E. Patterson. Junior Vice President-Bina Emery. Secretary-Addie V. Grant. Treasurer-Isabel W. Haley. Chaplain-Abbie F. Robbinson . and I. Officer-Orilla Whitcomb. Inspector-Wealthy Murch. Counselor - Grace E. Howe. Delegates-Orilla Whitcomb, Lorania Henry

Ada Sherburne, Lizzie Dyer. Department of the Potomac. The Department of the Potomac, District of Columbia, was organized July 23, 1890, with seven corps. Many things arose to impede the progress of the new department during the first year, but it flourished, and the membership rapidly increased and a great deal of relief called upon for extraordinary effort during the Washington encampment, and acquitted itself nobly.

Mrs. Susie McCabe, president of the Department of the Potomac, was born in Washington, Pa. During the dark days of the rebellion her young feet were guided into the paths of patriotism by parents who were stanch friends of the Union and the flag, and after the war she married a Union veteran, and they took up their residence in the capital city of the Nation. Both Mr. and Mrs. McCabe early allied themselves with the Grand Army and its work, and Captain McCabe became commander of Lincoln Post, of Washington. Mrs. McCabe was most zealous in helping to form a corps auxiliary to Lincoln Post and, when it was an accomplished fact, was made its senior vice president. A little later she was made president of the corps. So acceptably did she perform the duties of the office that she was elected senior vice president of the Department of the Potomac when the department was formed. When the first troubled year drew to its close the Department of the Potomac was duly recognized as the only legal body of the W. R. C. in that jurisdiction. C. in that jurisdiction. and Mrs. McCabe felt well paid for the hard work she had done. As just recognition of her eplendid services she was elected department president, and assumed the duties of the high office with one purpose and one motive, that of carrying out the grand principles of the W. R. C., and of building upon those principles a larger Captain and Mrs. Clark are prominent and stronger department. That she has succeeded nobly the record of the year shows. Mrs. McCabe is a sweet-faced, lowvoiced woman, whose presence brings peace. Gentle and unassuming, she is yet decided and uncompromising when she deems right to be on her side.

The secretary of the Department of the Potomac is a tall, slender woman, with olive skin, dark, languorous eyes and rippling blue-black hair. She has a life history such as Dumas or Victor Hugo would work into a three-volume novel. Mrs. Layton was born a slave in Old Virginia, it 1861. When six months and a half old her mother died and left her baby Julia, a wailing little weakling, to the tender mercies of a slave master. The baby's father, whose name was Mason, was a half-breed Indian, his mother having been a slave, but he was himself a free man. A few weeks after the death of his wife he bought the sickly infant from its master for \$100. In 1872 he brought her to Washington, where she was placed in the public school. In 1880 she was graduated from the high school and in 1891 she graduated from the Mine Normal School. In the same year she was appointed a teacher in school, and in 1892 was made principal of the building from which she had graduated. Later she was transferred to the Washington High School as instructer in English and book

keeping, where she is now employed. Mrs. Julia Mason-Layton was elected president of O. P. Morton Corps. No. 1, December, 1890, and served the term. The same year she was elected department senior vice president, the first and only colored woman who has held so high a position in any department of the W. R. C. In 1892 she was appointed secretary of the department, and was, by unanimous vote elected a second time president of O. P. Morton Corps, and was again appointed her own successor as department secretary She is now serving her third term as stat officer of the department, and will, for the third time, vote in national convention. Mrs. Layton is actively engaged in church and Sunday-school work, and is a member of half a dozen leading literary societies. She read a strong paper entitled "Woman. before the educational congress in Chicago, July 28. She was married in July to Prof. John T. Layton, a comrade of O. P. Morton Post, and musical director of the Washington public schools.

Mary M. North, treasurer of the Depart

ment of the Potomac, was quite young when the war broke out, but, having heard Union sentiments when yet in the cradle was intensely loyal. When the call came for troops both her father and grandfather responded, they living in Washington at the time. Mrs. North was born in Washington and attended school in that city and in Virginia, where she lived after the war, and until she was married. Her loyalty was shown in that event, even, for she married a man who did picket duty outside his native city, when only fourteen years of age, and whose father, Capt. H. H. North, served in the navy all through the war. And this counts for something when were Southern born. Mrs. North has held many responsible positions. She was State secretary of the King's Daughters, for Virginia, until her removal to a Western State. She also was grand vice templar of the order of Good Templars of the State of Virginia, and is an's National Press Association. During the war she was her mother's companion in her daily visits to hospitals in Washington with fruits, flowers and delicacies for the soldiers. So she has a very friendly feeling for every man who wore the blue. Her home at present is in Anacostia. D. C. where her husband is paster of the Presby-Burnside Corps, of Washington, and a valuable member of the staff of the department president. The officers of the Department of the

Potomac are: President-Susie M. McCabe. Senior Vice President-Anna Peck. Junior Vice President-Anna Hamilton. Treasurer-M. M. North: Secretary-Julia Mason Layton. Counselor-Ida V. Hendricks. Inspector-Augusta C. Blarkey. I. and I. Officer-Carrie F. Brookfield. Chaplain-Maria J. Hare. Executive Board-Chairman Vina M. Calhonn Lulu Chase, Caroline Lacy, Anna Tompkins,

Florence Chambers. The Department of New Jersey is in flourishing condition financially, and has 4,250 members. At the head of this department is Mrs. Emma J. Southwick, of Trenton, a woman of fine accomplishments and wide popularity, who has long been identified with the relief corps work of her native State. She is known by her works rather than by her words, and her persualarge fund of common sense, native dignity and womanly tact, have given her a foremost place among the loyal women of the State that gave us such galiant fighting soldiers as Kearney and Kilpatrick. Mrs. Southwick is a charter member of Aaron Wilkes Corps, No. 7, organized in 1884, and has been its treasurer since the inception of the order. She has been a tireless worker. and never misses a meeting of her corps nor a department convention. She served with entire satisfaction as department secretary in 1891, and as senior vice in 1892. and previously as assistant inspector. She was assistant national aid under Mrs. Mary Sears MoHenry, and has beld various to the honorable position of president of the Department of New Jersey last February, and is also assistant national inspector. Mrs. Southwick is the happy wife of a

a member of Kearney's old brigade, and who has been a member of the Grand Army since 1869. He is active and zealous in the interest of both orders, and has been adjutant of his own post for ten consecutive years. At the present time be is assistant national inspector of the Department of New Jersey. It is through Mrs. Southwick's husband that this department was brought to adopt and wear with such hilarious pride the emblem of New Jerseythe mosquito. Department President Southwick and her veteran husband belong to that corps of active, loyal workers who believe that the G. A. R. have yet a mon schools, at Yarmouth Institute and at | grand work to accomplish in teaching the rising generation to love their country and honor the flag, and in the practical application of the idea they encceeded in having the Department of New Jersey at its last convention in July, adopt a resolution requesting the public school authorities of the State to set apart one day each yearthe Tuesday preceding Memorial day-to be devoted to patriotic exercises and each school be visited by a detail of the members of the G. A. R., especially appointed for that purpose, and all officers and teachers assist in making the day a success. The maiden effort on May 30 was a splendid achievement of patriotism. The treasurer of the department of New

Jersey is a loyal and efficient woman, Mrs. Jennie B. Atwood. She is a native of the old Bay State. On going to New Jersey early in the eighties she identified herself at once with the Grand Army workers, and was made president of Winfield Scott Corps of Plainfield. She has also been its secretary and treasurer. In 1885, upon recommendation of Department Commander Harry M. Nevins, Mrs. Kate B. Sherwood, then national president of the W. R. C., appointed Mrs. Atwood president of the provisional department of New Jersey, which at the time consisted of four smal corps. Six months later, when the State was raised to a department, Mrs. Atwood was elected permanent president by acclamation. At the end of the year Mrs. At wood turned over to her successor eleven corps and a treasury in splendid condition. Since leaving the presidency Mrs. Atwood has filled the offices of counselor, department instituting and installing officer, chairman of the executive board and corresponding secretary. She is now disurer, and as in all of the positions she has been called upon to fill the duties are performed with signal ability. Mrs. Atwood has had a zealous coworker in her husband. James M. Atwood, who, like his wife, has been much honored by his post and the department, having filled the honorable position of junior vice commander of the department of New Jersey. The officers are:

President-Emma J. Southwick, Trenton. Senior Vice President-Hannah Westphal, Junior Vice President-Kate Rausch, New

Secretary-Susid T. Wilkes, Trenton. Treasurer-Jennie B. Atwood, Trenton. Past Department Presidents-Jennie B. Atwood, Trenton; Elizabeth M. Work, Newark; Abbie J. Whittrie, New Brunwick; Mary G. Lanning, Roselle; Amanda O. Daniel, Trenton; Elizabeth H. Ames, New Brunswick; Jennie D. Smith, Plainfield; Sarah A. Reed, Long Branch

The department has 425 members in good standing. Financially the department is flourishing.

The Department of lowa has 232 corps and 8,000 members, all in good standing. There was expended for relief by that department last year \$574.90. The different corps throughout the State expended in cash for relief \$3,596.57, and the money value of supplies aggregated \$3,460.64. The Department of lowa, from the contributions sent in for the purpose by the corps, contributed to the memorial fund of the comrades of the Grand Army at Richmond the sum of \$116. The corps of lowa have sent more than \$700 to comrades and families suffering from the electric cyclone at Pomeroy, and each day brings in more. In the past year there have been organized sixteen new corps.

The department president, E. Flora Evans, of Clinton, Ia., was born in Akron, O., in January, 1851, and went to lowa with her parents when but a child and has lived there ever since. Last June marked the silver anniversary of her marriage to comrade E. C. Evans, who was a member of Company A. Fifteenth Iowa, of the celebrated Crocker brigade. Two stalwart young men call her "mother." Since the organization of the Woman's Relief Corps in lows Mrs. Evans has devoted a large share of her time to the work and has been a loyal and active worker in the cause of the order. She was one of the first delegates sent to help make lowa a permanent department and has been inspector and held offices of trust during the entire time since becoming a member of the order. twice as national delegate, chief of staff, department senior vice president, and was for three terms president of her own corps before being elected to her present re-

sponsible position. Department Secretary Althea Oakes Conable, of Clinton, Ia., is a native of Maine, and is descended from old Puritan stock. Uriah Oakes, who was one of the founders of Dartmouth College. She has on the maternal side the blood of one of the finest New England families. She grew to womanhood amidst the mountains of New England, and graduated from school with honors and taught for several years. In 1869 she came to Clinton, Ia., where she was married to Mr. E. W. Conable, an honorably discharged soldier of the civil war, and for tweive years was successfully associated with her husband in daily newspaper work. Mrs. Conable is devoted to the interests of the Woman's Relief Corps, and is an able and faithful worker in the

Department Treasurer Laura Creighton of Des Moines, has been a loyal worker in the order, and is a most estimable, lovely woman. She is the wife of Mr. Creighton, a prominent lawyer in Des Moines, and a Grand Army man. She is the mother of four children-a daughter and sons. She has been honored with various offices in the order and has been sent as national delegate to one of the conventions. She has served the department of lows a previous term as department treasurer, and received at the last department convention a unanimous re-election to the same office. The department officers

President-E. Flora Evans. Senior Vice President-Julia A. Young, Sloux Junior Vice President-Ida E. Craig, Fort Mad

Chaplain-Aunt Becky Young, Des Moines. Counselor-Mary S McHenry, Denison. Inspector-Emma Dean, Muscatine. I. and I. Officer-Lauretta Cowles, Ottumwa. Secretary-Althea O. Conable. Treasurer-Laura Creighton.

California. The Department of California is in a flourishing condition, but then it has been that from the very inception of Relief Corps work. There were fifty-nine corps with 2,928 members in good standing at the end of the first quarter of 1898. The department had expended in money for relief up terian Church. Mrs. North is a member of | to that time \$1,813.50 in cash, and \$1,083.25 in other than money. The State is a large one, but the president and her staff will make a personal inspection of those fiftynine corps before the year is up. The present department president is Mrs. Abbie E. Johnston, wife of J. Milton Johnston, of Los Angeles. She was born in

Vermont in 1852, but has lived since a child in California. Her husband, now a leading ing the daughter of Dr. S. C. Bartholomew. merchant of Los Angeles, was a lieuten-Her parents moved to Berrien springs, ant in the Une-hundred-and-eighty-sixth Mich., when she was three years old. At Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, Mrs. the age of eighteen she commenced teach-Johnston has been actively engaged in ing school for a livelihood and taught corps work for seven years, being one of twelve years. Aug. 4, 1875, she married [... the earliest members of Stanton Corps. No. C. Leeds, who had served three years in the 16, and for two terms its honored pres-Twenty-fifth Michigan Volunteer Infantry, ident. She has served the Deand they immediately moved to Dallas, partment of California as chairman of the Tex., where Mr. Leeds was engaged in bustexecutive board; she was also senior vice ness, and has made Dallas her home since. president previous to her election to fill She has five children living. She was a the highest office this year. Mrs. Johnston | charter member of the George H. Thomas is thoroughly imbued with the work of the Post, W. R. C., being its first treasurer, and order, and her very personality is synonyserving as such for two years; was presimous of success. She has an able lieutendent of the same one year, and at present ant in her grand administration in her secis its senior vice president, having retary, Mary E. Hartwell, of Los Angeles. proved an efficient and worthy officer, with The department officers are: the interest of the order at heart. She has an intense love for her country and its

President-Abbie Johnston, Los Angeles, Secretary-Mary E. Hartwell, Los Angeles. Treasurer-Sarah A. Davis, Riverside Senior Vice President-Mary C. Farmer, Val Junior Vice President-Florence E. Moore, Santa Barbara. Chapiain-Anna E. Hooker, San Diego. Counselor-Geraldine E. Hood, Menlo Park.

Inspector-Flora E. Boley, San Francisco. I. and I Officer-Hattie A. Halcomb, San Jose. Mitssouri. The Department of Missouri was formed in March, 1885, and the W. R. C. work has advanced with a healthy growth ever since. This is no doubt due to the excellent officers with which that department

has always been blessed. Mrs. Emily Parker, the department president of Missouri, is a lady of tine executive ability, conscientious and just in her decisions and of a most amiable character. Jersey soldier, who served faithfully and | She is devoted to the interests of the old rapidly transacted. With the practice of retary pro tem. to the last convention. 'honorably from Bull Run to Appoint tox as soldier. She has served the Frank P. Blair 'aptitude in the editorial management of

Corps of St. Louis as secretary and senior vice president, and and as president for three terms before being elected to the oftice of department president. An uncle of Mrs. Parker's, to whom she was very dear, was quartermaster of the One-hundred-andthird Illinois Infantry, and division quartermaster of the Fourth Division, Fifteenth

Corps, Army of the Tennessee. Mrs. Frankie Van Slyke, the department secretary, is a lady of fascinating appearance and great retinement. She is a daughter of a veteran, her father having served as lieutenant in the Seventy-fifth (Auburn) Regiment of New York. At the time of her appointment to the office of department secretary, Mrs. Van Slyke was treasurer of the banner corps of Missouri, having joined the Frank P. Blair Corps in 1886. She is one of the good workers in the loyal

Mrs. Henrietta Steismeier, one of the charter members of Frank P. Blair Corps, the banner corps of Missouri, was the first department president of Missouri, and is a well-known character in the work of the Grand Army and relief corps in Missouri, and her fame is not confined to that State. either, for she never has missed a national convention, and is one of the most untiring workers the old soldier cause can produce. Mrs. Steismeier is the daughter of Capt. W. Sievers, of the Thirty-second Indiana, and is fond of telling that she did more than the rebels could, for she captured one of Logan's boys when she married Capt. C. Steismeier, who belonged to the Third Missouri Infantry, First Division, Fifteenth Corps, Army of the Tennessee, and the Captain seems to adore his captivity and enjoys the joke as much as any body.

The Department of Connecticut numbers forty-five corps and is one of the most active members of the national organization. It does a lot of work for the State Soldiers' Home, at Naraton, and contribntes largely toward the National W. R. C.

Mrs. Augusta B. Hammond, department president of Connectiont, has been a member of the W. R. C. since its founding in that State. She has been corps treasurer and president; has also acted as department instituting and installing officer, member of the executive board, department secretary and senior vice president of the department. She was unanimously elected to the position of department president at the last convention. Mrs. Hammond is married to a Union veteran. Emma A. Ramsbottom, department secretary, is the daughter of a Union veteran

and has been president of her corps for two years. The officers are: President-Augusta B. Hammond, Rockville. Treasurer-Charlotte E. Wright, Rockville, Secretary-Emma A. Ramsbottom, Rockville. Past Department Presidents-Elizabeth C. Kirfer, Waterbury; Mary J. Dyer, New Haven;

Mary J. Merriman, Bristol; Harriet S. Durfee, Middleton; Jennie Smith, Norfolk; Harriet J. Bodge, Hartford. Minnesots.

Minnesota has ninety-eight corps, with three thousand members, and is one of the representative departments. Minnesota does nothing by halves and W. R. C. interests are no exception to the rule. The love, loyalty and patriotism of the order is of a vigorous and bracing character, like the

At the head of this eplendid department is Mrs. Mary E. Leavens, who is now serving her third term as department president. Mrs. Leavens was honored with the presidency of her corps when it was organized, and was its able head successively and successfully until elected department president. She was department inspector one year and is now a member of the national executive board. Mrs. Leavens is an earnest, practical worker and grows. The recognition she has received in being elected for three successive terms is a just and merited tribute of her worth to the order. Mrs. Leavens was born in Shaftesbury, Mass. When nineteen she removed with her father, J. H. Winter, to Faribault, Minn., where she was married to Hon. E. N. Leavens, a wellknown Grand Army man, who has been quartermaster of the Department of Minnesota, G. A. R., for the past seven years.

Mrs. Leavens's efficient and hard-working secretary is Mrs. Nettie M. Norton, of Minneapolis. Mrs. Norton is methodical and painstaking, and manages the affairs of her office with neatness and dispatch. The department officers are as follows: President-Mary E. Leavins, Faribault.

Senior Vice President-Jemima A. Clifford, Junior Vice President-Agnes Savage, Osseo. Secretary-Nettie M. Norton, Minucapolis. Treasurer-Lulie A. Becher, St. Paul. Delegates-Ella M. Rice, at large; Jennie

Strait. Shakopee; May B. Goodsell, Howard Lake; Ella P. Gearhart, Duluth; Sarah K. Clark, West Virginia.

The Department of West Virginia has been a provisional one up to the present year, when it was placed on a footing with its thirty-one sisters in the Union. The department now has ten corps, with a membership of nearly three hundred, and is in good financial condition. The president of the department is Mrs.

Amanda L. Murdock. There is no more energetic worker in the ranks of the Womans' Relief Corps than Mrs. Murdock and that the W. R. C. women of West Virginia believe this is shown in the fact that Mrs. Murdock was chosen unanimously to serve a second time at the head of the department. Mrs. Murdock was born in Pennsylvania and was reared in West Virginia, near Wheeling. She married G. G. Murdock, a veteran soldier, at the close of the war. Three of Mrs. Murdock's brothers were in the army, and their peril caused their sister many hours of anxiety and unhappiness. Mrs. Murdock has been a member of corps No. 1 for seven years, and during that time has filled successfully the offices of corps president, treasurer for three years, and national aid two years. Under her fostering care the Department of West Virginia has prospered wonderfully. The department secretary is Mrs. Julia

A. Burtt, the daughter of Edward Greiver, a brave soldier of Company D. One-hundred-and-seventeenth New York Infantry. who lost his life in the explosion at Fort Fisher. She married, in 1866, a veteran of Company B. One-hundred-and-second Pennsylvania. She has been active in the work of the corps from its organization, and since her appointment as department secretary, on Jan. 7, 1892, has performed the duties acceptably. She is an able second to Mrs. Murdock, The officers are:

tions, the present being the eighth at which she has been privileged to be present. President-Amanda L. Murdock, Wheeling. She has twice served as national aid, and Senior Vice President-Amanda Fleming, Fairalso as assistant national inspector, and has been active in charitable and mission-Junior Vice President-Mollie M. Cornwell, ary work in the city in which she lives. Treasurer-Annie D. Carlin, Wheeling is a resident of Concord, and a daughter of Secretary-Mrs. Julia A. Burtt. the late Dr. W. J. George. She married

Chaplain-Mary V. Reed, Fairmount. Executive Board-Chairman, Ida V. Cox, Wheeling; Anna E. Bourne, Wheeling; Rebecca Tarbert. Benwood; Edna Shaw, Huntington; Anna M. Sandy, Grafton. Delegate at Large-Theresa F. Wise, Wheeling. Alternate-Ella M. Thomas, Charleston.

One reason why the Department of Texas

defenders, having had two brothers in the

Twelfth Michigan, one of whom is buried

at Duval's Bluff, Ark. She has always

taken the livelest interest in all the work

of the Relief Corps, having attended every

ganized in Texas. Mrs. Leeds has the con-

in her hands the W. R. C. of Texas will be

Mrs. Nellie Rust Jones, department sec-

to Dallas, Tex., with her parents, when she

was only about eight years of age. She

the Southern Mercury, a literary family

paper, owned and published by her father.

She displayed much energy, interest and

carefully, wisely, safely gnarded.

prospers, despite the fact that it is in a secmany years, respected and esteemed by her tion where loyal work has never been acceptpupils. Mrs. Bowen was a charter member able, is because it has energetic officers. It of the second largest corps in the State now has eight corps, Martha B. Leeds, presiand of which she is still an honored memdent of the Woman's Relief Corps, Departber. The New Hampshire officers are: ment of Texas, was born in Greensburg, Decatur county, Indiana, Sept. 21, 1844, be-President-Fanny E Minot, Concords

Senior Vice President-Lucie A. Small, Farm-Junior Vice President-Parthenia W. Baker, Lebanon. Secretary-Pauline L. Bowen, Concord. Treasurer - Martha J. George, Concord. Chaplain-Annette J. Furnald, Exeter. Inspector-Addie E. Dix, Hinsdale,

Instituting and Installing Officer-Lydia E. Jones, Dover. Executive Board-Sarah N. Burns, Wilton: Susie E. Haines, Penacook; Katherine L. Runnells, Nashua; Abbie A. Hill, Tilton; Jennie Philbrick, Portsmouth. Delegate at Large-Clara A. Haines, New-Delegates-Mary O. Hemenway, Milford; Susan

Counselor-Augusta S. Bennett, Manchester.

8. Bussell, Nashua: Mary E. Lang, Concord; Emma A. Morse, Penacook; Persis F. Chase, Lancaster.

Mrs. Marion C. Ramage, of Knoxville, Tenn., is president of the Department of Tennessee, W. R. C. Mrs. Ramage is a native of New York, of Scotch-English ancestry, and her great grandsires were in the Revolutionary war, as well as the war State convention since the order was orof 1812. Mrs. Ramage has been an energetic worker in the interests of the old fidence of the department, and all feel that soldier, particularly so since the establishment of the corps in Tennessee. She has held every office in the corps from guard to secretary and president. In the departretary of Texas, is the eldest daughter of ment staff she has held nearly every office Capt. E. G. and Maggie A. Rust, and was up to that of department president, which born in Michigan, April 17, 1807, removing responsible position she now occupies with grace and dignity. She has also been national aid and assistant national inwas educated in the public schools of Dallas. At the early age of fourteen she asspector. sumed charge of the youth's department of Mrs. Sallie J. Osborn, of Knoxville,

makes an efficient and thoroughly capable

devoted women have much to contend with. The officers are:

her department, of which she had en-

tire control for several years. At the

tensively to the Southern magazines and

press generally, both prose and poetry. She

has been on the editorial staff of several

Texas papers during the past few years.

She has taken a deep interest in the Chau-

tauqua circles in the South, which

prominent Grand Army man, she became

of Texas some three years ago and united

with the George H. Thomas Relief Corps,

of Dailas. When Mrs. Ann E. Knight was

elected president of the Woman's Relief

Corps of Texas, in March, 1892, she ap-

pointed Mrs. Jones department secretary.

In this capacity Mrs. J. worked faithfully

W. R. C. into better shape than it had ever

been before. She was the first secretary

has proved her to be systematic, thorough

and painstaking in whatever she under-

takes, her books, files, records, etc., being

in nice, presentable shape at the last

B. Leeds as president she at once reap-pointed Mrs. Jones secretary of the de-

partment. Reluctantly she consented to

serve the department for another year,

feeling that she could ill afford to spare

other duties to attend to the work of the

secretaryship as it should be done. The

Senior Vice President-Allie N. Shulze, Deni-

Junior Vice President-Florence L. Shoff, San

Chief I. and L. Officer-Hattie A. Loring, San

South D kota.

On the broad prairies of South Dakota

are to be found some of the grandest peo-

ple on earth, and their patriotism is as

pure as the zephyrs that sweep their broad

domain. The Grand Army is strong there,

and is assisted by a corps of bright, ener-

getic women, who respond readily and

At the head of the Department of South

Dakota, which is now in its eleventh year,

18 Mrs. Carrie M. Cleveland-formerly Car-

rie M. Alford-of Esmond, S. D. Mrs.

Cleveland was born in Augusta, Ia., in 1845.

She was educated in the Academy of Platt-

ville, Wisconsin, and the Young La-

dies' Seminary at Tafton. While a resi-

dent of Janesville, Wis., she married Albert

C. Cleveland, Sept. 13, 1866, a soldier of the

Union who had given four and one-half of

life out of treason as a member of the

Forty-second Illinois Infantry. They lived

for a number of years in Illinois and then

went to South Dakota to look after the 160

acres of land Uncle Sam was holding in

trust for the "soldier boy." Mrs. Cleve-

land was one of the charter members of

Iroquois, South Dakots, W. R. C., which was organized in February, 1892. She was

elected president of the corps and served

in that capacity until selected president of

the department in June of the present

year. Mrs. Cleveland is an active worker

in the cause she loves. She belongs to

various philanthropic orders and is an ar-

dent worker in the suffrage cause. She is

a member of the famous quartet of

The efficient secretary of the Department

of South Dakota is Emily M. Sheets, tor-

Sheets is a member of Iroquois Corps, of

President-Carrie M. Cleveland, Esmond.

Treasurer-Inez M. Owen, Chamberlain,

Executive Board-Jessie Grannis, Iroquois;

Julia Wibirt, Iroquois; Mattie Hoppin, Iroquois

Emma F. Robinson, Mitchell; Helen A. Hobbs,

Chaplain-Emma K. Cosnun, Huron.

Secretary-Emily M. Sheets, Esmond.

Counselor-Sarah E. Holmes, Plankinton.

Instituting and Installing Officer-Lelia L.

Corresponding Secretary-Cora K. French,

Past Department Presidents-Alma S. Ben-

nett, Nevada, Mo.; Lelia L. Smith, Haron, S. D.;

Louise P. Hauser, Aberdeen, S. D.; Lucy P. Bry-

son, Gettysburg, S. D.; Ruth H. Thomas, Huron,

S. D.; Sara E. Holmes, Plankinton, S. D. Delegate-Clara Lukens, Mitchell, S. D.; dele-

gate at large, Emma Carpenter, Webster, S. D.

New Hampshire,

The Department of New Hampshire has

seventy-seven corps. Mrs. Fannie E.

Minot, president of the department, was a

native of Barnstead, but early in life re-

moved with her garents to Concord, and

has since made that city her home. She

was a graduate of the high school, and

also of Wheaton Seminary, Norton, Mass.

in both instances being valedictorian of

her class. In 1874 she married James

of the One-hundred-and-fortieth New York

Volunteers, and who was for several years

assistant adjutant-general of the New

castier of the Mechanics' Bank in Concord.

She was a charter member of the E. E.

brings to the office a zeal for her work,

Pauline L. Bowen, department secretary.

minot, who served in the war as a mem

Inspector-Rilla Rilling. De Smet.

ganizations. The officers are:

The appointed officers are:

Smith, Huron.

Chamberlain.

heartily to any and all calls upon them.

President-Martha B. Leeds, Dallas.

Treasurer-Florence Myer, Dallas.

Chaplain-Annie E. Mann, Dallas.

Secretary-Nellie R. Jones, Dallas.

Inspector-Ella B. Case, Denisor

Councilor-E. A. R. Williams, Denison.

Texas officers are:

Anton O.

age of eighteen she married Mr. John President-Marion C. Ramage, Knoxville. Senior Vice President-Delphine S. Pearsail, B. Jones, a gentleman who had been raised to the newspaper business and for Harriman. Junior Vice President-Ellen J. Dickens, Johnmany years had been connected with the Western Newspaper Union. Since her son City.

Secretary-Sallie J. Osborne, Knoxville. marriage Mrs. Jones has undustriously fol-Treasurer-Cyith L. Seaman, Knoxville. lowed her chosen profession as writer and authoress, and has contributed quite ex-

Past Department President-Blanca L. Muller, Delegate at Large-Charlotte Trindle, of Chattancogn. Kansas.

Mrs. Lnov Reed Jones, president of the Kansas Department of the W. R. C., was born in Urbana, O., March 17, 1850, At the has also contributed greatly to her efficiency as a writer and journalist. Her age of three years she moved with her parfather being a veteran of the Twenty-first New Jersey Volunteer Infantry and a ents to Monticello, Ind. Here her father was just beginning to feel settled in the practice of his chosen profession of the law interested in the work of the loyal women when the report of the lirst shot of the Idbellion went reverbating throughout the land. He converted his law office into a recruiting office for Union volunteers, and soon raised Company K. Twentieth Regiment, Indiana Volunteers, and was commissioned its captain Aug. 1, 1861. His brave, noble son Will, aged sixteen years, and hard to bring the work of the Texas was permitted at his own importunate entreaties to follow him, and was commisstoned one of the corporals in Company K. to get together a complete roster of the Feb. 1, 1862. At the battle before Richmond, on July 6, 1862, both father and son Woman's Relief Corps of Texas Her work were badly wounded, and taken to Libby prison, where the son died. His body rests in the National Cemetery at Richmond. Captain Reed was soon after exchanged, (fourth) annual convention of the Texas Woman's Relief Corps, held at Denison in and on Dec. 19, 1862, was discharged on surgeon's certificate of disability. In March, and on the election of Mrs. Martha the fall of 1862 Captain Reed was elected State Senator, and represented his district in the 1863 session of the Senate. Having recuperated what he thought to be sufficient strength he re-enlisted in 1864, with a commission as lientenant-colonel of the Twelfth Regiment of Indiana Cavalry, and the time from her little family and many was honorably discharged Nov. 10, 1865, as Vicksburg.

In 1871 Mrs. Jones, then Lucy Reed, was married to C. D. Jones, then of Covington, Ind. During the following two years she resided in Williamsport, Ind., where her husband superintended the city schools. For ten years she lived in Lafayette, Ind. where her husband practiced law and served a term as prosecuting attorney. In 1885 she removed with her family to Norton, Kan., where she has since resided. She was one of the charter members of W. R. C. No. 149, organized in Norton. November, 1886, Three times she was elected its president. In February, 1893, she was elected junior vice president of the Kansas Department, and in February, 183, she was elected its president, both of said elections coming to her as surprises. She appreciates the honor and responsibilities of her position as department president of standard of her department. Kansas has 258 corps, with 7,486 members in good stand-

Lulu D. Jones is secretary of the Kansas Department, W. R. C. She is nineteen years old, and the daughter of the president, Mrs. Lucy Reed Jones. The Kansas officers are:

President-Mrs. Lucy Reed Jones, Norton. Senior Vice President-Mrs. Edith M. Wood, Pittsburg. Junior Vice President - Miss Allie Myers the best years of his life to treading the Olathe. Treasurer-Mrs. Evalva Bradford, Concordia

Chaplain-Mrs. E. E. Ranney, Burlington.

Secretary-Miss Lulu D. Jones, Norton. Counselor-Mrs. Ida Wilson Moore, Abilene. Inspector-Mrs. Julia Campbell, Hutchiason I. and I. Officer-Mrs. Julia McCarthy, Larned. Executive Board-Mrs. Alice M. Seeds, chairman, Abilene; Mrs. May Lapham, Herington; Mrs. Emma B. Aldrich, Cawker City; Mrs. Jennie Besack, Washington; Mrs. Mattie Leland,

Delegates-At large, Ida C. Martin, Atchison. First District-Mattie Leland, Troy. Second District-Barbara E. Pond. Fort Scott. Third District-Anna Guthrie, Arkansas City. Fourth District-Hattle E. Riley, Elderado Fifth District-Jennie B. Marsh, Manhattan, Sixth District-Jennie Bailiff, Glen Elder. Seventh District-Fannie H. Curry, McPherson Past Department Presidents-Mrs. Louisa Brown Hedrick, 1884, Olathe: Mrs. Margaret R.

women singers, who have raised large sums of money for various causes by giving Wickens, 1885 and 1886, Sabetha; Mrs. Emma A. Bedell, 1887, Larned; Mrs. Ella Powell, 1888, Washington; Mrs. Belle C. Harris, 1889, Emporia; Mrs. Clara Eggleston Junkerman, 1890 merly Emily M. Young, who is a native of and 1891, Wichita; Mrs. Ida Wilson Moore, 1892, New York. Her childhood was spent in Illinois, where she was educated. Mrs.

Rhode Island. The Department of Rhode Island isn't a

Esmond, and is thoroughly devoted to the Grand Army and Relief Corps work. She very big one numerically, but it does a lot is also a member of the Esmond Quartet. of relief work, and is a power in the conwhich has charmed so much money into vention because of the sterling worth of the depleted treasuries of philanthropic orits delegates. The president, Mrs. Maria A. Wilson, of Providence, is a woman of ample experience in philanthropic work of Senior Vice President-Eppie McMillan, Pierre, Junior Vice President-Eva Williams, Waterall kinds, and is particularly devoted to the interests of the old soldier. Her administration has been marked by steady increase in the ranks of the order, and a cordiality and unanimity of action not often met with. The department now has eighteen corps.

The secretary of the Department of Rhode Island is Mrs. Julia Pogne Mason, daughter of the late Dr. Elisha Dye Pogue, formerly a distinguished physician of Westminster, Md. She was born in Westminster and educated in Connecticut. From childhood she has been interested in all kinds of charitable work, and gave her time and strength to help the suffering ones during the rebellion. She was married at the close of the war to Lieut. William A. Mason, a member of Company F. Eleventh New Hampshire Volunteers, Mrs. Mason is a charter member of Slocum Corps, No. 6, of Providence, R. I., and was elected junior vice president of that corps in 1889. senior vice president in 1890, and president in 1891. She is the present efficient secretary. The department officers are:

President-Mari . A. Wilson, Providence. Senior Vice President-Emily A. Hunter, East Providence. Junior Vice President-Hannah W. Lally. Woonsocket. Secretary-Julia Payne Mason, Providence. Treasurer-Lizzie F. Dexter, Pawtucket.

Past Department Presidents-Sarah C. Mason. Pawtucket; Mary French, Pawtucket; Sadie 8. idence; Emily L. Sibley, Pawtucket. Delegates-Emily F. Fish, Pawtu cket; Annie E. Davis, East Providence.

Hampshire G. A. R. Mr. Minot is the Nebrasana. The Department of Nebraska was organized on April 2, 1884, with thirteen corps, Sturtevant Relief Corps, and its first treasand Mrs. Louise M. Merrill, president, urer, and has occupied many responsible From this small beginning the department positions in the department. Mrs. Minot has increased antil now it numbers 150 corps, with a membership of 3,600. At its and something of experience and practical last (ninth) annual convention, held in Febknowledge, which have been aided by her ruary last, the department did not owe a attendance at several national convendollar but had \$702.50 general fund, \$72.17 relief fund and \$155 worth of supplies on hand, and Mrs. Mellie C. Hards, of Central City, was unanimously elected president. A better choice could not have been made, for among the thousands of true and noble . women who compose this grand organization in the State none are more worthy or better qualified for the honorable position. A woman of remark-Charles A. Bowen, who served as quarterable power and energy, a willing worker master of the Eighth New Hampshire Regiwhere duty calls her, and possessing sument during the greater part of the war. perior business qualifications, she is espeso she early became acquainted with the cially adapted to the duties of the office, anxieties pertaining to a soldier's wife. She was born in New York, graduated in After the death of her husband, caused by Illinois, emigrated to Nebraska twenty the many hardships endured in the service. years since, has been corps president, deshe was elected principal of a grammar partment inspector, I. and I. officer, assistschool in Concord, where she taught for ant secretary and finally honored with the office of department president. Her two grandfathers, father and husband bore arms in defense of our country. The department secretary, Mrs. Gertrude Horr Connell, was born in Jefferson county, New York, educated at Gouvernent Wesleyan Seminary, and moved to Nebraska in 1884. Mrs. Connell was the first president of Lyon W. R.C., No. 19, and has since served four terms as department treasurer. She had three brothers in the army, and her husband served three years and three months with General Sherman.

Col. E. Eimer Ellaworth, commanding the Eleventh New York Zounves, was shot by Jackson, the proprietor of the Marshall House in Alexandria, May 24, 1861. Colonel Elisworth had pulled down the rebel flag which floated from Jackson's hotel in full view of the dome of the Capitol. It was the first rebel flag hauled

J. F. Chase, of the Third Maine Regiment, had a most remarkable war record. He received a medal of honor for bravery at Chancellorsville, and was wounded forty-eight times at Gettysburg, where he lay upon the battledeld two days, and was then taken up for dead. He is

very much a ive yet. Governor Claib Jackson, of Missourl, in response to President Lincoln's call for men, said April 17, 1861, "Not one man will the State of Missouri furnish to carry on an unholy crusade." Governor Jackson lied and history

Col. T. B. Davis, of the Eighth New York, was the only cavalry officer of Southern birth in the Union army. He was born in Musiesippi and was killed at Beverly Ford in June.

proves 1t.

Probably the tallest veteran of the "late unpleasantness" living is William P. Boque, of The Department of Tennessee is a the Second Pennsylvania Cavalry. He stands provisional one, with saven corps, and the seven feet in his stockings,